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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

Re: Update on settlement discussions in Docket No. 2019-393-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

I am writing on behalf of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("<u>DESC</u>") to provide an update on settlement discussions between DESC and South Carolina Solar Business Alliance, Inc. (the "<u>SCSBA</u>") related to the tariff DESC submitted in the above-referenced docket (the "Storage Tariff").¹

As you know, Order No. 2020-245 (the "Order") granted a 30-day stay and toll of all deadlines in this docket so the parties could pursue settlement discussions. The Order requires the parties to provide an update to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") regarding those discussions at the end of that 30-day period, which ends today. DESC and SCSBA engaged in discussions and are exchanging information to address remaining open items. Although no settlement has been reached as of the time of this filing, the 30-day extension provided the parties valuable time to further discuss the Storage Tariff.

Given that the stay and toll granted by the Commission has expired, the parties will proceed in accordance with the deadlines—including those for discovery and testimony—established in this docket, as modified by the Order.² However, the parties will also continue to pursue, where appropriate, good-faith settlement discussions related to the Storage Tariff. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

¹ DESC filed the Storage Tariff pursuant to a settlement agreement with SCSBA that was filed in Docket No. 2017-370-E.

² DESC will submit direct testimony in this docket today.

Sincerely,

J. Ashley Cooper

Acknowledged and Agreed:

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